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1. THE CURRENT SPATE OF REQUESTS BY SPANISH MILITARY ATTACHES
IN NATO CAPITALS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT NATO IS RELATED
DIRECTLY TO A CESEDEN (SPANISH WAR COLLEGE) STUDY ON SPAIN
AND NATO WHICH WILL RUN FROM EARLY OCTOBER TO DECEMBER. WE
ARE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO BE OF HELP HERE AND HOPE EMBASSIES
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IN NATO CAPITALS WILL AS WELL.

2. WE WOULD CAUTION THAT THE STUDY IN AND OF ITSELF IS NOT
EVIDENCE OF GREATER SPANISH MILITARY INTEREST IN JOINING NATO.
IN FACT, WITHOUT OUTSIDE EFFORTS TO BRING TO BEAR THE ARGUMENT
FOR SPANISH MEMBERSHIP, THE STUDY MIGHT WELL PRODUCE A REHASH
OF THE ARGUMENTS AGAINST MEMBERSHIP WHICH ARE HEARD SO OFTEN
FROM SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS HERE, ESPECIALLY IN THE
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